

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Canceled)
2. (Currently Amended) A system for mounting an accessory to a vehicle,

comprising:

a linkage arrangement comprising at least two link members, each having an inner end and an outer end

wherein the link members are pivotally connected to each other at their inner ends and to a vertical pivot member located between the spaced inner or outer ends of the link

members;

an accessory member pivotally connected with the outer ends of the linkage

arrangement, wherein the accessory member is arranged to move vertically about a vertical axis defined by the vertical pivot member; and

a linkage mounting arrangement for mounting the linkage arrangement to the inner ends of the link members and the vehicle, wherein the linkage mounting arrangement defines a horizontal axis pivot connection to which the inner end of each link member is connected;

wherein the movement of the link members about the horizontal axis pivot connection causes the accessory member to move about a second vertical axis spaced from the first vertical axis, wherein the linkage arrangement is constructed and arranged to provide vertical movement of the link members and the vertical pivot member, and thereby the accessory.

wherein the linkage arrangement is constructed and arranged to move vertically.

3. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the linkage mounting arrangement is constructed and arranged to enable the linkage arrangement and the accessory to be moved to either a first side of the vehicle or a second side of the vehicle.

4. The system of claim 2 , wherein

5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 4, wherein the arrangement of linkage is such that the vehicle is capable of tilting rearward to pivot about the vertical pivot, the vehicle is capable of lowering and raising the vehicle pivotally about the horizontal pivot, and the vehicle is capable of pivoting about the horizontal pivot to move the vehicle selectively about the vertically oriented pivot axis. The vehicle is capable of moving between a horizontal position and a vertical position, and the vehicle is capable of moving between a horizontal position and a vertical position.

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 5, wherein the vertical pivot bar is a vertical bar that is capable of moving horizontally and extends horizontally through the vehicle.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the vertical pivot bar is a vertical bar that is capable of moving horizontally and extends horizontally through the vehicle, and the vehicle is capable of moving horizontally through a cylindrical sleeve to move and pivot about the vertical pivot axis.

8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the inner end of linkage is mounted to the rear of the vehicle.

9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 2 , wherein the arrangement of linkage is mounted to a side of the vehicle.

10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 2 , wherein the linkage arrangement is mounted to a side of the vehicle, and the vehicle is capable of moving toward a vertical position.

11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 10,
a biasing member

to bias the linkage arrangement toward position.

12. (Currently Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A system for mounting an accessory to a vehicle,
comprising

a linkage comprising a first link member and a second link member wherein the
first link member is connected to the vehicle through a pivot member defining
a first axis of rotation, and the second link member is connected to the vehicle
through a pivot member defining a second axis of rotation, wherein the first and second
link members are pivotally interconnected at their inner ends.

wherein the linkage arrangement is interconnected with the vehicle wherein the
first link member is connected to the linkage mounting arrangement wherein the
first axis of rotation is defined by a first, vertical axis of rotation and a second,
horizontal axis of rotation, wherein the first axis is defined by a first pivot member,
and the second axis is defined by a second pivot member.

wherein the first link member is connected to the vehicle through a pivot member
defining a first axis of rotation, and the second link member is connected to the vehicle
through a pivot member defining a second axis of rotation, wherein the first and second
link members are pivotally interconnected at their inner ends, wherein the accessory is
connected to the necessary mounting member for connection to the vehicle through the first and
second axes of rotation.

14. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the inner ends of
the first and second link members are connected to respective first and second pivot plates, and
wherein the second axis is defined by vertically aligned pivot pins mounted within a pivot plate
wherein the pivot plate is a part of the linkage mounting arrangement, wherein the
first and second axes of rotation are defined by the first and second pivot plates.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the biasing member is
a biasing member connected to the first link member and the second link member
the linkage about the first

16. (Currently Amended) A method of manicuring a lawn, comprising:
driving a vehicle having a mowing system and an accessory mounting system

cutting vegetation with the mowing system;
when an object is encountered, directing the accessory mounting system to lower the accessory

directing the accessory toward the object while the vehicle is moving

cutting vegetation surrounding the object while by movement of the accessory about

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the trimming
further comprising the step of releasing the handle after using the accessory, and
to return the accessory to a retracted raised position under the
vehicle, the accessory is interconnected with at least one of the link members.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the vehicle driver
directs the accessory toward the object while remaining in the vehicle
vehicle

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the vehicle driver
exits the vehicle to direct the accessory toward the object.

20. (New) The system of claim 2, wherein the linkage mounting arrangement includes a vertical axis pivot connection to which the inner end of each link member is secured, wherein the vertical axis pivot connection provides pivoting movement of the link members about a second vertical pivot axis spaced inwardly from the first-mentioned vertical pivot axis.

21. (New) The system of claim 21, wherein the accessory is interconnected with the vertical pivot member via an accessory mounting arrangement defining an inner end interconnected with the vertical pivot member and an outer end to which the accessory is secured, wherein the accessory is located outwardly of the vertical pivot axis.

22. (New) The system of claim 13, wherein the accessory is mounted to the accessory mounting member via an accessory mounting arrangement that is pivotable about a third, generally vertical pivot axis defined by the accessory mounting member.

23. (New) The system of claim 22, wherein the accessory is interconnected with the accessory mounting member via an accessory mounting arrangement defining an inner end interconnected with the accessory mounting member and an outer end to which the accessory is secured, wherein the accessory is located outwardly of the accessory mounting member.

24. (New) The method of claim 16, wherein the accessory mounting system includes a vertical accessory mounting member that extends between the outer ends of the link members, and wherein the step of pivoting the trimming accessory about the outer vertical pivot axis is carried out by pivoting the accessory about the vertical accessory mounting member.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the accessory is interconnected with the accessory mounting member via an accessory mounting arrangement defining an inner end interconnected with the accessory mounting member and an outer end to which the accessory is secured, wherein the accessory is located outwardly of the accessory mounting member, and wherein the step of directing the trimming accessory toward and around the object is carried out by moving the accessory mounting arrangement about the accessory mounting member.